II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 3, line 13, with:

There are two types of Entity Beans. The first type is a Container Managed Persistence Bean (CMP). The application server takes care of persisting a CMP's data to the database, so that the developer doesn't have to write any code to interact with the Java Data Base Connectivity (JDBC) API (which defines a standard way of accessing a relational database from a Java Application) or any other database persistence technology. CMP is the generally recommended approach, because it is easier, and it lets the developer leverage any special capabilities of the application server, such as caching, optimistic locking, or others. The second type is a Bean Managed Persistence Bean (BMP), which requires the developer to take care of all database persistence logic. BMP is used only when the developer needs to talk to some database that the developer's application server does not support, or when the developer has other special persistence needs. CMP Entity Beans are the only type of beans where the application server gets involved in a query; therefore, further references to beans herein shall be defined as CMP Entity Beans.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 9, line 22, with:

Figure 2 depicts Computer 200. Although the depicted embodiment involves a personal computer, a preferred embodiment of the present invention may be implemented in other types of data processing systems. An exemplary hardware arrangement for computer 200 follows. Keyboard 222 and display 223 are connected to system bus 210. Read only memory (ROM) 230 contains, typically, boot strap routines and a Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) utilized to

initialize Central Processing Unit (CPU) **220** at start up. Random Access Memory (RAM) **240** represents the main memory utilized for processing data. Drive controller **250** interfaces one or more disk type drives such as floppy disk drive **252**, CD ROM **254**, and hard disk drive **256**. The number and type of drives utilized with a particular system will vary depending upon user requirements. A network interface **260** permits communications to be sent and received from a network. Communications port **270** may be utilized for a dial up connection to one or more networks while network interface **260** is a dedicated interface to a particular network. Programs for controlling the apparatus shown in Fig. 2 are typically stored on a disk drive and then loaded into RAM for execution during the start-up of the computer.